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For the reasons given, the terrestrial theories were regarded as inadequate, and the conviction was expressed that we must look to some astronomical cause for an explanation of the phenomena of the Ice Period.

May 15th. Mr. I. C. Russell read a paper on the Ancient Glaciers of New Zealand, and Mr. A. A. Julien remarked on the Search for Flint Implements in the Valley of the Saone.

May 29th. The following papers were read: On Determinations of Specific Gravity by the Arabians of the Twelfth Century, by Dr. H. C. Bolton; Notice of Recent Investigations as to a Change of the Earth's Axis at the Close of the Tertiary, by Professor B. N. Martin.

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SCIENTIFIC SERIALS.[1]

American Journal of Science and Arts. — August. Note on the Development and Homologies of the Anterior Brain-Mass with Sharks and Skates, by B. G. Wilder. The Greenstones of New Hampshire and their Organic Remains, by G. W. Hawes.

The Geological Magazine. — July. The Carrara Marbles, by G. A. Lebour. Distant Transport of Volcanic Dust, by A. E. Nordenskiöld. On the Mechanics of Glaciers, by D. Burns. Ice and Ice-work in Newfoundland, by J. Milne.

The Geographical Magazine. — July. Statistics of Danish Greenland. The Voyage of the Challenger, by J. E. Davis. The Andaman Islands, by F. A. de Röepstorff. A Journey into the Arabian Desert of Egypt, by Drs. Schweinfurth and Güssfeldt. Verrazzano, by R. H. Major.

Jenaische Zeitschrift für Naturwissenschaft. — April 15th, Ueber Ontogenie und Phylogenie der Insekten, von Paul Mayer.

Annals and Magazine of Natural History. — July. On the Affinities of the Anthozoa Tabulata, by G. Lindstroöm. *Eozoön Canadense* according to Hahn, by J. W. Dawson.

Monthly Microscopical Journal. — July. On the Rotifer Conochilus volvox, by Henry Davis. On the Abbé Count Castracane's Photographs of Nobert's Nineteenth Band, by H. C. Sorby. On the Aperture of Object Glasses, by F. H. Wenham. On the Limits of the Optical Capacity of the Microscope, by Professor Helmholtz, with a Preface by Dr. H. Tripp.

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[1] The articles enumerated under this head will be for the most part selected.